

MARYLAND BOARD OF ENVIROMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALSTS 4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

JUNE 16, 2025 BOARD MEETING OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Meeting Held via Google Meet

Board Members Present:

Sherry Williams, Department of Health Tonisha Melvin, Board Secretary, Consumer Member Naomi Howell, Department of the Environment Member Mia Lowery, Local Government Sarath Seneviratne, At Large Kevin Barnaba, Private Industry

Board Members Absent:

Bonnie Harbin, At Large Esther Peter, Consumer Member

Staff and Visitors:

Katherine Cummings, Board Counsel Donna Zickefoose, Administrator I Leslie Johnson, Administrative Officer Lillian Reese, Legislative Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 A.M. by Sherry Williams, Board Chair.

AGENDA Sarath Seneviratne made a motion to adopt the agenda as submitted. Naomi Howell provided a 2nd to the Motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

ITEM I Board Chair Report Sherry Williams

1(a). Board Chair, Sherry Williams, thanked the board members and expressed appreciation for attending the Emergency meeting.

ITEM 2 Legislative/Regulations Committee

2 (a). OMNIBUS CHRC Bill Draft for Review and Vote. Kevin Barnaba made a motion to approve the Bill draft. Naomi Howell provided a 2nd to the motion. Motion passed. 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

Board Chair, Sherry Williams, expressed the Board's appreciation to Lillian Reese and Katherine Cummings for expediting the Bill draft for the Board to vote. The Board was informed that this Bill (if passed) will be effective June 1, 2026.

Naomi Howell made a motion to adjourn the Open Session. Sarath Seneviratne provided a 2nd to the motion. Motion passed. Vote 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained.

Date: August 6, 2025

Meeting adjourned 9:15 a.m.

Sherry Williams,
Board Chair